

House Resolution 1301

By: Representative Burkhalter of the 50th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Coach Ricky Turner; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Ricky Turner attended St. Pius High School and went on to play football for the
3 University of Georgia, where he graduated in 1991; and
- 4 WHEREAS, he began his coaching career at Salem High School where he taught and
5 coached from 1992 until 1997, continuing his coaching and teaching career at St. Pius High
6 School from 1997 until 2000; and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 2000, he became the founding athletic director at Blessed Trinity High
8 School, the first employee to be hired at the school; and
- 9 WHEREAS, as the athletic director he was responsible for establishing the athletic program,
10 building the fields, ordering the uniforms and equipment, and coordinating with the principal
11 to hire coaching staff; and
- 12 WHEREAS, he started the varsity program in the third year of the school's existence, and
13 thus far the team has won 13 state championships and 21 regional championships; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Coach Turner's team won the overall cup and the girls cup in 2004, which
15 captured for his team the 2004 directors cup, given to the top AA program in the state; and
- 16 WHEREAS, he is the head football coach and has been since the opening of the school and
17 took his team to a region championship in the team's third year; and
- 18 WHEREAS, he again received the directors cup in 2007, for winning the girls cup; and

1 WHEREAS, Coach Turner is most proud of receiving the 2007 Region Sportsmanship
2 Award, which encompassed the schools in 15 regions voting for the team with the best
3 sportsmanship; and

4 WHEREAS, Coach Turner and his wife, Lynn, are the proud parents of four sons, Ricky, a
5 freshman at Blessed Trinity, Justin, and twin boys Matthew and Christopher.

6 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
7 the members of this body commend Coach Ricky Turner and recognize his outstanding
8 career.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
10 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Coach Ricky Turner.